

**In the United States Court of Federal Claims**  
**OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS**  
**No. 11-448V**  
**(Not to be published)**

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K.B., \*  
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Petitioner, \*  
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v. \*  
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SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND \*  
HUMAN SERVICES \*  
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Respondent. \*  
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Filed: October 28, 2013  
  
Decision on Attorney's  
Fees and Costs

**DECISION<sup>1</sup> (ATTORNEY FEES AND COSTS)**

In this case under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program,<sup>2</sup> I issued a decision on March 15, 2013. On October 14, 2013, petitioner filed a Motion for reimbursement of costs, requesting reimbursement of \$2,915.64 for petitioner's own litigation expenses. That Motion states that petitioner does not seek reimbursement of attorney's fees. On October 28, 2013, respondent's counsel filed a status report indicating that respondent has no objection to petitioner's Motion for reimbursement of costs.

I find that this petition was brought in good faith and that there existed a reasonable basis for the claim. Therefore, an award for petitioner's costs is appropriate, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 300aa-15(b) and (e)(1). Further, the proposed amount seems reasonable and appropriate. **Accordingly, I hereby award the total \$2,915.64 as a lump sum, in the form of a check payable to ( K.B. )**

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<sup>1</sup> The undersigned intends to post this decision on the United States Court of Federal Claims' website, in accordance with the E-Government Act of 2002, Pub. L. No. 107-347, § 205, 116 Stat. 2899, 2913 (codified as amended at 44 U.S.C. § 3501 note (2006)). As provided by Vaccine Rule 18(b), each party has 14 days within which to request redaction "of any information furnished by that party (1) that is trade secret or commercial or financial information and is privileged or confidential, or (2) that are medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of privacy." Vaccine Rule 18(b). Otherwise, "the entire" decision will be available to the public. Id.

<sup>2</sup> The applicable statutory provisions defining the program are found at 42 U.S.C. § 300aa-10 *et seq.* (2006).

In the absence of a timely-filed motion for review filed pursuant to Appendix B of the Rules of the U.S. Court of Federal Claims, the clerk of the court shall enter judgment in accordance herewith.

**IT IS SO ORDERED**

/s/ George L. Hastings, Jr.

George L. Hastings, Jr.  
Special Master